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Applicant: OZEKI, Makoto et al. Conf.: 2621
Appl. No.: 10/790,730 Group: 1614
Filed: March 3, 2004 Examiner: Unassigned
For: PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION FOR TREATING
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 25, 2004

Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

<u>Appl. No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group</u>
10/343,931	February 5, 2003	1614
10/311,972	December 23, 2002	1617

The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending U.S. application(s) may be deemed to relate to the present application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this instant application.

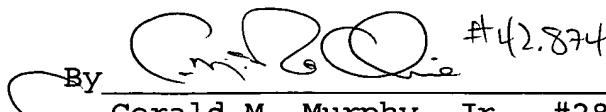
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Respectfully submitted,

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes: amendments to the claims and remarks.